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SUBJ: ICAO CONSIDERATION US PROPOSAL ON NOISE POLICY (CWP 6477)

1. COUNCIL REPS CONTINUE TO MEET AND CONSULT IN CONNECTION WITH EFFORTS TO FIND LANGUAGE AGREEABLE TO ALL. RECENT MEETINGS WITH FOSTER/FAA WERE EXTREMELY HELPFUL.

2. INFORMALLY FRENCH REP INFORMED USREP THAT LATIN AMERICAN BLOC WAS "FURIOUS" WITH US RE RECENT PLICY MOVES RE HUMAN RIGHTS AND WITHDRAWAL MILITARY ASSISTANCE. HE SAID LA BLOC INTENDED DEFEAT US AND US MANUFACTURERS AND UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES WOULD THEY GO ALONG WITH US PROPOSAL. HE SAID HE "HAD FOUND IT NECESSARY TO ADVISE PARIS OF THIS IMPASSE WHILE THERE FIRST WEEK MARCH. USREP CONFRONTED ARGENTINE REP WHO WAS AT FIRST ANGERED BUT THEN ENJOYED GOOD LAUGH. HE SAID EUROPEANS WERE TRYING TO PROTECT THEIR OWN POSITIONS. NOT ONLY HAD HE (ARGENTINA) NOT SAID THIS BUT HE KNEW NO MORE ABOUT MILITARY ASSISTANCE THAN WHAT HE READS IN PAPER AND THE SUBJECT HAS NO PLACE IN ICAO. FURTHERMORE HE SAID HE PERSONALLY HAS TAKEN INITIATIVE TOGETHER WITH OTHER MEMBERS LA GROUP TO PURSUE POSITIVE APPROACH ON US PROPOSAL. HE REITERATED HIS OPINION THAT IT WAS NECESSARY FOR ICAO TO TAKE A POSITION ON THIS DIFFICULT PROBLEM AND LA WANTED TO PLAY A RESPONSIBLE ROLE.

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3. BRAZIL INITIATED DISCUSSION WITH US ON THIS SUBJECT INDICATING THAT HE HAS SPENT SO MUCH TIME ON THE US PROPOSAL AND ALTERNATIVE DRAFTS THAT HE FEELS THE SUBJECT IS EXHAUSTED AND IF HE HAS TO CHOOSE BETWEEN AVAILABLE DRAFTS (US, FRENCH, UK) HE WILL VOTE FOR US. HOWEVER, HE DISCUSSED IN SOME DETAIL THE DILEMMA OF HIS GOVERNMENT BECAUSE VARIG'S FLEET IS 50 O/O

707S WHICH CAN NOT BE RETROFITTED AND IF US PROPOSAL OR ANY OTHER WITH DEADLINE IS ADOPTED THE DOLLAR VALUE OF A 707 WILL FALL TO ALMOST NOTHING. HE SAID HIS AIRLINE LIKE MANY OTHERS IS DESPERATELY TRYING TO DUMP 707S AND REPLACE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE BUT HE OBSERVED THAT MANY GOVERNMENTS FEEL "LIKE CORNERED ANIMALS" TRYING TO FIGHT BACK IN HOPELESS SITUATION. HE POINTED OUT THAT AVRIG HAS BOUGHT US EQUIPMENT AND HAS LOOKED TO FAA FOR ITS AIRWORTHINESS PROGRAM AND HAS STRONG MANUFACTURING TIES, BUT "EACH TIME AN AIRLINE OF A DEVELOPING NATION WITH GREAT EFFORT BEGINS TO LIFT ITSELF UP, THE US KNOCKS THEM DOWN AGAIN."

4. INFORMALLY AND VERBALLY ONLY BRAZIL REP ASKED US IF FOLLOWING APPROACH IS WORTH CONSIDERING: COUNCIL WOULD (A) CONSIDER THE US PROPOSAL A VALUABLE CONTRIBUTION (AND LEAVE IT OPEN ON THE WORK PROGRAM); (B) URGE STATES TO TAKE ALL APPROPRIATE MEASURES IN THE LIGHT OF THE SERIOUS NOISE PROBLEMS; (C) ASK STATES TO SUBMIT TO ICAO BY JUNE 1979 THEIR ANALYSIS AND PLANS FOR COPING WITH THE PROBLEM IN THE LIGHT OF THE CIRCUMSTANCES. USREP INDICATED THIS MIGHT BE A GOOD INTERMEDIATE APPROACH BUT POINTED OUT THAT STATES HAD NOT RESPONDED TO STATE LETTER AN 1/54.7 - 75/76 AS REQUESTED (ALTHOUGH IT WAS A MORE GENERAL INQUIRY).

5. BRAZIL REP WILL DRAFT SOME LANGUAGE AND COORDINATE. WHEN AVAILABLE WILL TRANSMIT TO WASHINGTON. USREP POINTED OUT TO BRAZIL REP HOWEVER THAT AFTER JUNE 1979 IS US PROPOSAL WITH 1985 DATE IS REACTIVATED IT WILL BE SUBJECT TO A DATE CHANGE BY THE EUROPEANS. HE REPLIED THAT IS WHY HE PERSONALLY WOULD CONFIDENTIAL

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RATHER HAVE US PROPOSAL THAN MORE GENERAL ALTERNATIVES. US PROPOSAL (CWP 6477 AND 6343) COME BEFORE COUNCIL MARCH 21 & 23. HARPER

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